Saints Hallows Together

Holy Communion

Fifth Sunday of Lent 3 April 2022

A warm welcome to our worship this morning. Whether a regular or a visitor, it is good to have you here.

At **All Hallows** we continue to take precautions to keep everyone as safe as possible as we worship. If you wish to continue to observe **social distancing rules** during worship, please sit in the side aisles.

We encourage you to use the *hand sanitiser stations* when you arrive, before and after communion, and when you leave. We encourage you to wear *a face mask, particularly when singing*.

We continue to take communion in one kind only.

Personal photographs you take in our church, with children other than your own in them, are not to be published on social media sites (Instagram, Facebook etc.)

We stand as the bell sounds to mark the beginning of our worship. The ministers process into the church.

GREETING

Minister In the name of the Father,

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All Amen.

Minister The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Words of welcome may be said.

HYMN

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred name.

- O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree, as thou hast promised, draw us unto thee:
- 2 Let every race and every language tell of him who saves our souls from death and hell:

- From farthest regions let them homage bring, and on his cross adore their Saviour King:
- 4 Set up thy throne, that earth's despair may cease beneath the shadow of its healing peace:
- 5 For thy blest cross which doth for all atone creation's praises rise before thy throne:

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PRAYER OF PREPARATION

All Almighty God, to whom

all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION

Minister God shows his love for us

in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Let us then show our love for him

by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Romans 5.8

KYRIE ELEISON

Minister Wash away all my iniquity

and cleanse me from my sin.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

Minister Against you, you only have I sinned

and done what is evil in your sight.

Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

Minister Create in me a pure heart, O God,

and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

ABSOLUTION

Minister The Lord enrich you with his grace,

and nourish you with his blessing;

the Lord defend you in trouble and keep you from all evil;

the Lord accept your prayers,

and absolve you from your offences,

for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Saviour.

All Amen.

COLLECT

The president introduces a period of silent prayer with the words 'Let us pray' or a more specific bidding. The Collect is said:

Gracious Father,
you gave up your Son
out of love for the world:
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,
that we may know eternal peace
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,
lesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 43.16-21

Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honour me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

LENT PROSE

Choir Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:

for we have sinned against thee.

All Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:

for we have sinned against thee.

Choir Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee:

with true contrition, now no more we veil them:

grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution..

All Hear us, O Lord, have mercy on us:

for we have sinned against thee.

SECOND READING Philippians 3.4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless.

Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on towards the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

At the end the reader may say

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

HYMN

1 It is a thing most wonderful, almost too wonderful to be,

that God's own Son should come from heaven, and die to save a child like me.

- 2 And yet I know that it is true:
 he chose a poor and humble lot,
 and wept and toiled and mourned and died
 for love of those who loved him not.
- I cannot tell how he could love a child so weak and full of sin; his love must be most wonderful, if he could die my love to win.
- I sometimes think about the cross, and shut my eyes, and try to see the cruel nails and crown of thorns, and lesus crucified for me.
- 5 But even could I see him die, I could but see a little part of that great love which, like a fire, is always burning in his heart.
- 6 It is most wonderful to know his love for me so free and sure; but 'tis more wonderful to see my love for him so faint and poor.
- 7 And yet I want to love thee, Lord; O light the flame within my heart, and I will love thee more and more, until I see thee as thou art.

William Walsham How (1823-1867)

GOSPEL READING John 12.1-8

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Minister Christ humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and given him the name that is above every name.

All Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory.

Minister Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, 'Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?' (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, 'Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

After the Sermon silence may be kept.

CREED

Minister Let us declare our faith in God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Silence may be kept.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Minister We pray to the Lord for courage to give up other things and to give ourselves to him this Lent.

This response may be included:

Lord, hear us.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

And at the end:

Merciful Father,

All accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Silence may be kept.

PEACE

Minister Once we were far off.

but now in union with Christ Jesus we have been brought near through the shedding of Christ's blood,

for he is our peace.

cf Ephesians 2.13

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All And also with you.

PREPARATION OF THE TABLE

HYMN

- Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.
- O loving wisdom of our God!
 When all was sin and shame,

a second Adam to the fight and to the rescue came.

- O wisest love! that flesh and blood, which did in Adam fail, should strive afresh against the foe, should strive and should prevail;
- 4 And in the garden secretly, and on the cross on high, should teach his brethren, and inspire to suffer and to die.
- 5 Praise to the Holiest in the height, and in the depth be praise: in all his words most wonderful, most sure in all his ways.

John Henry Newman (1801–1890)

TABLE PRAYER

Minister God of wisdom,

may the light of your eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, lead us in holiness and guide us to glory;

we ask this in his name.

All Amen.

EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Minister The Lord be with you, All and also with you.

Minister Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Minister Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

Minister It is indeed right and just, our duty and our salvation,

always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God, through losus Christ our Lord

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For as the time of his passion and resurrection draws near the whole world is called to acknowledge his hidden majesty. The power of the life-giving cross reveals the judgement that has come upon the world and the triumph of Christ crucified.

He is the victim who dies no more, the Lamb once slain, who lives for ever, our advocate in heaven to plead our cause, exalting us there to join with angels and archangels, for ever praising you and singing:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Minister Lord, you are holy indeed,
the source of all holiness;
grant that by the power of your Holy Spirit,
and according to your holy will,
these gifts of bread and wine
may be to us the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ;

who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took bread and gave you thanks; he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

In the same way, after supper he took the cup and gave you thanks; he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

All Dying you destroyed our death.
Rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Minister And so, Father, calling to mind his death on the cross,

his perfect sacrifice made once for the sins of the whole world;

rejoicing in his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension, and looking for his coming in glory, we celebrate this memorial of our redemption.

As we offer you this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, we bring before you this bread and this cup and we thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

Send the Holy Spirit on your people and gather into one in your kingdom all who share this one bread and one cup, so that we, in the company of [N and] all the saints, may praise and glorify you for ever, through Jesus Christ our Lord;

by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honour and glory be yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister Standing at the foot of the cross, as our Saviour taught us, so we pray.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.

(Or) Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

Minister Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

AGNUS DEI

All Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

GIVING OF COMMUNION

Minister Jesus is the Lamb of God

who takes away the sin of the world.

Blessed are those who are called to his supper.

All Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,

but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

Please wait to be directed forward to receive communion.

ANTHEM Malcolm Archer: My song is love unknown

My song is love unknown, My Saviour's love to me, Love to the loveless shown that they might lovely be.

O who am I, that for my sake,

my Lord should take frail flesh and die.

He came from His blest throne, Salvation to bestow,

But men made strange, and none the longed for Christ would know, But O my Friend, my friend indeed who at my need his life did spend.

Sometimes they strew his way, and his sweet praises sing; Resounding all the day Hosannas to their King, Then CRUCIFY! is all their breath, and for his death they and cry.

Here might I stay and sing, no story so divine, never was love dear King, never was grief like thine! This is my friend, in whose sweet praise I all my days would gladly spend. Amen.

HYMN

- How deep the Father's love for us,
 How vast beyond all measure,
 That He should give His only son
 To make a wretch His treasure.
 How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away,
 As wounds which mar the chosen one
 Bring many sons to glory.
- 2 Behold the man upon a cross,
 My sin upon His shoulders;
 Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
 Call out among the scoffers.
 It was my sin that held Him there
 Until it was accomplished;
 His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.
- I will not boast in anything,
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
 His death and resurrection.
 Why should I gain from His reward?
 I cannot give an answer;
 But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Minister Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us

that what we do for the least of our brothers and sisters

we do also for you:

give us the will to be the servant of others

as you were the servant of all,

and gave up your life and died for us,

but are alive and reign, now and for ever.

All Amen.

All Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Through him we offer you our souls and bodies to be a living sacrifice.

Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory. Amen.

NOTICES

HYMN

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

> Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory! Great things he has done!

- O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
 To every believer the promise of God!
 The vilest offender who truly believes,
 that moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.
- Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our rapture, when Jesus we see.

Fanny Crosby, (Frances Jane van Alstyne) (1820–1915)

BLESSING

Minister Christ crucified draw you to himself,

to find in him a sure ground for faith,

a firm support for hope, and the assurance of sins forgiven;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among you and remain with you always

All Amen.

DISMISSAL

Minister Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All In the name of Christ. Amen.

The people and ministers depart.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY G. F. Handel: Pastoral Symphony from Messiah

EASTER SERVICES

10 April, Palm Sunday

9:15 Family Eucharist in All Saints 11:15 Family Eucharist in All Hallows

11 April, Monday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer in person at All Hallows & via Zoom 17:30 Evening Prayer in person at All Hallows & via Zoom

12 April, Tuesday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer in person at All Saints & via Zoom 17:30 Evening Prayer in person at All Saints & via Zoom

13 April, Wednesday of Holy Week

8:30 Morning Prayer via Zoom 12:15 Eucharist in All Hallows 17:30 Evening Prayer via Zoom 19:30 Stations of the Cross at All Hallows

14 April, Maundy Thursday

8:00 Morning Prayer via Zoom (note change of time) NO 10:00 Holy Communion (due to Chrism Mass at the cathedral) 19:30 Eucharist of the Last Supper followed by Watch at All Saints 21:15 Compline at All Saints

15 April, Good Friday

10:00~11:30 Children's Workshop in the Vicarage Garden 14:00 - 15:00 An hour at the foot of the Cross at All Hallows

17 April Easter Day

8:00 Eucharist in All Saints 9:15 Family Eucharist in All Saints 11:15 Family Eucharist in All Hallows

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

Those who suffer in body, mind or spirit, among them Richard H, Tim C, Kay G, Jonathan, Diane J, Ron W, Wendy S, Julie V, Margaret C, Kath T, Leslie, June M, Marion D, Veronica D, Brian D, Shirley C.

The housebound and those in residential homes: Fred R, Shirley C, Diana B, Cedric G.

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please obtain the consent of the person you wish us to pray for. Then tell Rev Christine whom to pray for and the reason why.

Those whose anniversaries fell on this past week: Jane Cosford, Wendy Buckby, Elspeth Gordon, Ian Cox, Baby Kevin Thomas, Ernest Fensome, Baby Dodkins, Angela Pelling, Marjory Riley, Olive Butler, Graham Spencer, Michael Thompson, Rose Lymn, Merville Thomas, Frederick Albert Lambert, George Arthur Goodwin Hacksley, Jean Butler, Sharon Keevil, Margaret Lucy Stephenson, Ricky David Biggs.

NOTICES

We will keep watch at All Saints from the end of the 7.30pm Eucharist to the 9.15pm Compline on Maundy Thursday (14 April). You are welcome to join us at any point in that time window and stay for a while.

DIARY

Tues 5 Apr		
8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
Wed 6 Apr		
9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
12:15 - 13:00	All Hallows	Midweek Eucharist
12:50 - 14:20	All Hallows' Hall	Lent group
17:30 - 18:00	Zoom	Evening Prayer
Thurs 7 Apr		
8:30 - 9:00	Zoom	Morning Prayer
10:00 - 10:30	All Saints	Holy Communion
19:00 - 20:30	Lady Chapel, All Saints	Lent group
Fri 8 Apr		
9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
19:00 - 20:00	All Hallows	choir practice
19:30 - 20:00	All Saints	choir practice
Sat 9 Apr		
9:30 - 12:00	All Hallows' Hall	coffee shop
10:30 - 12:30	All Hallows	open to the public
Sun 10 Apr	Palm Sunday	
9:15 - 10:30	All Saints	Eucharist
11:15 - 12:30	All Hallows	Eucharist

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